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January 22, 1997

Federal Communications Commission  
William F. Caton, Acting Secretary  
1919 M. Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear William Caton,

Enclosed you will find nine copies of comments on DTV. Thanks so much for helping to keep LPTV on the air.

Sincerely,

  
Terry Johnson

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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter )  
Advanced Television System )  
and Their Impact upon the ) MM Docket No. 87-268  
Existing Television Broadcast )  
Service )

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COMMENTS OF Terry Johnson  
General Manager WHFL-LP56  
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WHFL-LP56 has a tremendous interest in what happens as an outcome of the Sixth Further Notice Proposed Rule Making of the FCC regarding Advanced Television or DTV. WHFL-LP56 has a commitment to providing quality local programming to the citizens of Wayne County, North Carolina. We provide more than 50,000 television households with over forty hours per week of local programs which are of interest to Wayne County. (See Exhibit 1 & 2 attached hereto.)

Our viewers, because of LPTV, can view local programs that the FULL POWER STATIONS cannot air because of their need to reach a larger number of people; sometimes forgetting the area which they serve. LPTV is the one way for each community to have a local station that they can call their own. We have maintained WHFL-LP56 to look and sound better than some FULL POWER STATIONS in this area. Please do not hurt LPTV now or in the future. The current ATV/DTV proposal as outlined in the Sixth Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making of the FCC would cause us some major problems. LPTV needs some of the same privileges which are available to FULL POWER STATIONS so that millions of viewers, millions of dollars that have been spent by all the various stations, and thousands of jobs will not be lost by this Proposed Rule Making.

WHFL-LP56 endorses the technical proposal which the Community Broadcasting Association ("CBA") has been working very hard on to preserve the spectrum space for LPTV broadcasters, and which would protect FULL POWER STATIONS. CBA has worked hard to keep community broadcasters ON THE AIR. Will the FCC do the same in protecting all LPTV broadcasters and the public interest?

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, this petitioner respectfully requests that the Commission revise the rules and policies proposed in the Sixth Further Notice Rule Making, as described above, by incorporating the consensus technical proposal as submitted by the Community Broadcasting Association and by preserving LPTV broadcasters who serve the local public interest.

This the 22nd day of January, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

WHFL-LP56, Free Life Ministries, Inc.

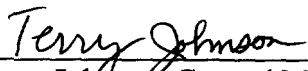
  
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Terry Johnson, General Manager

EXHIBIT 1

The following is a list of the local programs which we work with in our community:

Adamsville Baptist Church  
Adamsville Church of God  
Awakening  
Biblical Financial  
Carry the Cross  
Christ Centered Church  
Clingman Street Church of God  
Daystar  
Freedom Baptist  
Frontline  
Ralph Ginn  
Gospel Goes South  
Gospel Perspectives  
Healing by Faith  
G. A. Howell  
If You Can Believe  
JSG & Company  
Message of the Nineties  
More than Conquerors  
Operation Salvation  
Pikeville P.F.W.B.  
Positive Light  
Power in Praise  
Prayer Bank Revival  
Reaching the World  
Revival Time  
The Hall Family Singers  
The Resurrection  
The Word  
Together Again  
Touching Jesus  
Victory & Dominion  
Way, Truth & Life  
Word Faith Center  
Youth in Action

EXHIBIT 2

The following is a list of the organizations which we have supported with PSA's, or Special Programs in our community:

Wayne County Chamber of Commerce  
Wayne County Schools  
Wayne County Community College  
Red Cross  
Wayne County Youth Outreach  
Wayne County Humane Society  
Wayne County Mental Health  
Goldsboro - Wayne NAACP  
Pregnancy Help Center  
Home Health & Hospice Care  
Wayne Memorial Hospital  
Boys & Girls Home of North Carolina  
Veteran Services  
Goldsboro Job Services  
City of Goldsboro  
Wayne County Department of Transportation  
North Carolina Cooperative Extension  
Career Day  
Goldsboro Police Department  
Goldsboro - Wayne Crimestoppers  
Wayside Fellowship Home  
Potter's Wheel  
Salvation Army  
House of Fordham  
Mount Olive College  
North Carolina Zoo  
International Samaritan Health & Aid  
Girl Scouts  
Boy Scouts  
4-H Club  
Cherry Hospital  
O'Berry Hospital  
Hotline  
Goldsboro Housing Authority  
Wayne Christian Academy  
Goldsboro Fire & Rescue  
Faith Christian Academy  
Economic Development Commission

Wayne County Commissioners  
Goldsboro Family YMCA  
North Carolina Governors Office  
Pathway Christian Academy  
WAGES  
Seymour Johnson Air Force Base  
Wayne County Museum  
Wayne County Livestock Association  
Wayne Opportunity Center  
American Cancer Society  
American Diabetes Association  
American Heart Association  
Boys & Girls Club  
Community Arts Council  
Eastern Area Sickle Cell Association  
Goldsboro Recreation & Parks  
Habitat for Humanity  
Head Start  
North Carolina Secretary of State  
Keep Wayne County Beautiful  
Kidney Foundation  
Special Olympics  
Shelter of Wayne County  
United Church Ministries  
United Way of Wayne County  
Volunteer Families

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